

(b) the number of applications received from the Planters who are already having coffee and cardamom plantations ;

(c) the number of applications received from landless persons other than Harijans ;

(d) out of this, the number of persons and the extent of land granted to them ;

(e) the number of applications belonging to the Harijans pending disposal in the taluk office without any action being taken (districtwar, talukwise, and the reasons for the same to be furnished) ?

A.—Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA
(Minister for Revenue).—

(a) to (e). The collection of the required particulars will involve a lot of time and labour as it is voluminous in nature.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Presentation of 14th Report.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Presentation of the 14th Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN (Kolar Gold Fields).—On a point of order. So far as to-day's business is concerned....

Mr. SPEAKER.—We will come to that. But let the motion on the Report be made.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—My point of order relates to the Business Advisory Committee Report itself. Please hear me and you will understand whether I should speak before or afterwards. The point is this. The Order Paper of to-day contains reference to Mysore Silkworm Seed (Production, Supply and Distribution) Bill, 1958. You will kindly remember that the 14th Business Advisory Committee met on the 5th. A definite time order had been fixed so far as the Bills were concerned and according to that, if I remember aright, the Mysore Silkworm Seed (Production, Supply and

Distribution) Bill, 1958 had not been included in the agenda for today. It was only the Robertsonpet Municipality (Formation and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 1959 that had been included. I would invite your attention to Rule 231 which says as follows :—

“ No variation in the Allocation of Time Order shall be made except on a motion made with the consent of the Speaker and accepted by the Assembly :

Provided that the Speaker may after taking the sense of the Assembly increase the time, not exceeding one hour, without any motion being moved.”

Sir, the position is this. The amendment to the Allocation order has been made even without consulting the Assembly. Rule 231 is very clear that it should not be made without the leave of the House. I would like to know how this allocation of time order was made even without reference to the Assembly. The last Business Advisory Report was adopted unanimously. There is no valid reason why a change has been introduced. Simply because one Minister wants that a particular department's Bills should be introduced, suddenly changes should not be made. Further I invite your attention to another rule which speaks of priority of Bills. In respect of priority of Bills, one principle has been enunciated and that is this : A Bill which has advanced fairly should be taken up first. So far as the Mysore Silkworm Seed (Production, Supply and Distribution) Bill, 1958 is concerned, it has not advanced further than the Robertsonpet Municipality (Formation and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 1959. So many Bills are passed in the Council, but still they do not see the light of the day. If this principle of taking only such of those Bills as have advanced to a certain stage is given a go-bye, I do not know what rule we will be following. Sir, I object to the Presentation of even the Business Advisory Committee Report in view of Rule 231.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The 14th Report of the Business Advisory Committee is in respect of the matter of Silkworm Seed (Production, Supply and Distribution) Bill, 1958. The functions of the Business Advisory Committee are definite. Rule 226 says :

“ It shall be the function of the Committee to recommend the time that should be allocated for the discussion of the stage or stages of such Government Bills and other business as the Speaker, in consultation with the Leader of the House, may direct for being referred to the Committee.”

It is in the power of the Business Advisory Committee to fix a time-limit for the Mysore Silkworm Seed (Production, Supply and Distribution) Bill, 1958. On what day or days the time allotted by the Business Advisory Committee for a particular item of Business should be allocated is a matter within the competence of the chair.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—So far as the other arguments are concerned, I can only say that it applied to non-official Bills and not to this. It is for the Speaker to say whether it should be brought to-day. After all, time has been allotted by the Business Advisory Committee; time is to be allotted on such days as this Speaker finds it convenient; that is why it has been included to-day.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA (Palaiyam).—Yesterday evening, this Bill was supplied to us.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—The interpretation of the rule may be all right; but will it help fair transaction of business?

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—On the 16th, that is, to-day, there are four Bills in the Agenda. Now we understand that this Bill is to be taken up. Should we have not an opportunity to express our views?

Mr. SPEAKER.—It is going to be referred to the Joint Select Committee.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—Should we not express our views at least to help the Joint Select

Committee? So it may be taken up to-morrow.

Sri T. MARIAPPA (Minister for Finance).—It is a very simple measure.

Mr. SPEAKER.—We can adopt the Report of the Business Advisory Committee. When the stage for the consideration of the Bill comes, you can raise your objections.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Sir I move :

“That this Assembly agrees with the 14th Report of the Business Advisory Committee.”

Mr. SPEAKER.—The question is :

“That this Assembly agrees with the 14th Report of the Business Advisory Committee.”

The motion was adopted.

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—The Mysore Silkworm Seed Bill is a very simple measure. It is in the interest of the members alone that this Bill is brought forward. Last time all of them have signed and given me a letter. It will go to the Select Committee. In fact, the Select Committee will report to the House in this Session itself.

Mr. SPEAKER.—We will take it up to-morrow. Let us be clear in our mind. It must be passed during this session itself. We will now take up another Bill.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA (Chamarajanagar).—We may take up the Mysore Silkworm Seed Bill to-day itself at 3-30 P.M. after lunch.

Mr. SPEAKER.—We will see.

MADRAS PRESERVATION OF PRIVATE FORESTS CONTINUANCE BILL, 1959.

Motion to consider.

Sri K. F. PATIL (Minister for Transport and Forest).—Sir, I move :

“That the Madras Preservation of Private Forests Continuance Bill, 1959, be taken into consideration.”